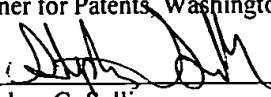


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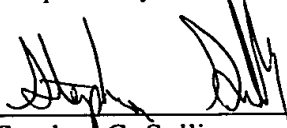
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- 1) Copy of Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated August 16, 2001
- 2) Response to Notice to File Corrected Application Papers
- 3) Nine (9) sheets of substitute drawings (Figs. 1A-8)
- 4) Transmittal Letter (original and two copies)
- 5) Postcard.

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This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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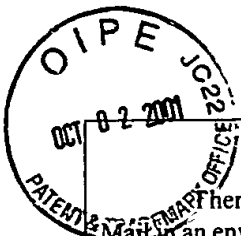
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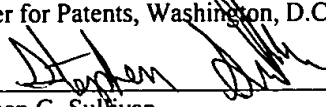
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